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Davis Statement on OMB
Information Security Reinforcement

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Chairman Tom Davis (R-VA) issued the following statement today regarding OMB Deputy Director Clay Johnson’s memo to the heads of departments and agencies concerning information security protections:

“Today’s action by the Office of Management and Budget to reinforce security standards for sensitive information controlled by the federal government is a sensible step, given the various data breaches we have seen in recent weeks. Under FISMA, after all, it is OMB’s role to require agencies to identify and provide risk-based information security protection. However, given the spotty record of compliance we have seen among the agencies, I sincerely hope this action leads to both better results and better practices – and if not, perhaps Congress will have to step in and mandate specific security requirements.”

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